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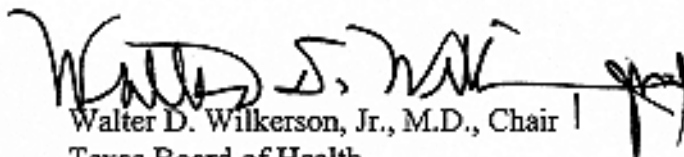
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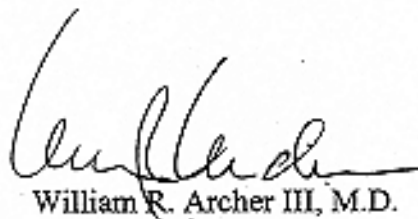
The Kidney Health Care Act, Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 42, requires the Board of Health to provide an Annual Report to the Governor and the Legislature on the activities of Kidney Health Care (KHC). This Annual Report covers the activities, expenditures, and accomplishments of KHC for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1999.

KHC has provided services to Texans diagnosed with end-stage renal disease (ESRD) since September 1, 1973. In these twenty-six years, a total of 59,842 patients diagnosed with this chronic disease have been approved for program benefits. The KHC Program provides benefits for access surgery, dialysis treatments, hospitalization, medication, and transportation.

This report includes information on program activities and the fiscal impact of recipient growth. It also describes KHC approved applicants, their primary diagnoses, and the treatment status of current KHC recipients. Additionally, ESRD data by county and region are described, along with information about the demographic characteristics of the ESRD population served by KHC in the State of Texas.

As we enter the new millennium, KHC continues its commitment to providing quality customer service to Texas residents diagnosed with ESRD.

  
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